

## Minutes

City Council Work Session Oelwein Community Plaza, 25 West Charles, Oelwein, Iowa April 12, 2021 - 6:30 PM

## Pledge of Allegiance

## Discussions

1. Discussion on Wellness Center

Mulfinger opened letting council know that the goal of this work session was to provide direction to staff on the Wellness Center.

Jessica Burkhart the Wellness Coordinator provided a full presentation about the center and how the school participates. Burkhart provided an overview of services and staff.

Weber was not happy with the school and their decision to violate the 28E by closing the Free Weight Room to Wellness Center members during the day. Burkhart let the council know that the center was surprised by the school and their quick actions.

Mulfinger encouraged council to provide any direction as the current direction was to cut the loss by 25 percent and add more corporate members.

Fisk asked about Medicare members and how we attract them.

Burkhart talked about memberships and what she does to bring in new people.

Bob from Mercy who oversees the contract for with Mercy for operating the Wellness Center talked about how the Oelwein Wellness Center was doing well especially during a pandemic.

Stewart said that the loss was relative to the service. Stewart went on to talk about how several of our services lose money and that we cannot expect most of them to make money, as they are a service.

Weber felt the center was an investment in the community and that it should be kept up and invested in for new and current community members.

Council was on board with the current operations provided that the anticipated loss stays between \$25,000 and \$35,000. Staff must always want to keep the loss lower and should work on a plan for improvements seeking grant funding.

Adjournment 8:05

Dylan Mulfinger, City Administrator